STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

Return to: Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5077

1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER ALCESTER UNION			2. DATE OF FILING 9-29-2000
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE WEEKLY	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY 52	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE $20/$24	
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION *(Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers)* PO BOX 227, 110 EAST FIRST, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0227			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER *(Not printer)* PO BOX 227, 110 EAST FIRST, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0227			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: PAUL, B. BUUM			
7. OWNER *(If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.* FULL NAME — COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS PAUL & MICHELE, BUUM, PO BOX 301, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0301			
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGEES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS. MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES *(If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form)* STATE BANK OF ALCESTER, PO BOX 168, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0168 MARY ETTA BROSE, PO BOX 44, ALCESTER, SD 57001-0044			

9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION *(See instructions on reverse side)*	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUE D PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUE NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES *(Net Press Run)*	1000	1000
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION 1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales	151	150
2. Mail Subscription *(Paid and or requested)*	666	666
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION *(Sum of 10B1 and 10B2)*	817	816
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS	31	32
SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY, AND OTHER FREE COPIES	0	0
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION *(Sum of C and D)*	848	848
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED 1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing	152	152
2. Return from News Agents	0	0
G. TOTAL *(Sum of E, F1 and 2 -- should equal net press run shown in A)*	1000	1000

I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER

Paul B. Buum, PUBLISHER

State of South Dakota)
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County of)

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Sworn to before me this 5th day of October, 19 2000

Michele L Buum

Notary Public

My commission expires My Commission Expires May 8, 2005

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